

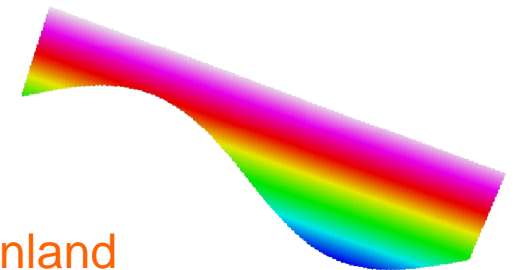
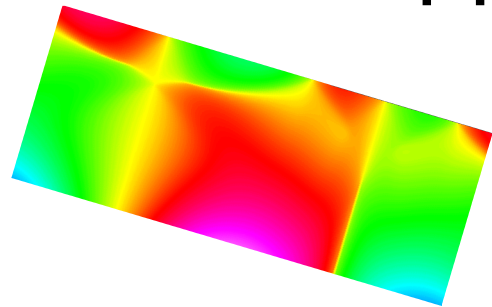
# First Elmer/Ice course

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## Application to ISMIP HOM<sup>(3)</sup> tests B and D

Step by step !



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# Outline

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**Step 0** Start from a very **simple test case**. What are we solving? (Glen' s law, ...)

**Step 1** Introducing **periodic boundaries** and **unit systems**:  
Move to test ISMIP-HOM B020 (mesh, periodic BC)

**Step 2 Visualization and Data:**

- Add SaveData (SaveLine) solver to get ASCII output on the BC
- Add SaveData (SaveScalars) solver to get ASCII for CPU-time and volume
- Add ComputeDevStress solver to get the stress field

**Step 3** Sliding law from **user function** or **inline MATC-function**:

- Move to test ISMIP-HOM D020
- Add ResultOutput solver to results additionally in VTU format
- Short Demo of *ParaView*

**Step 4** Restart from Step 2: Move to prognostic ISMIP B020.

- Move from a steady to a transient simulation
- Free surface solver

**Step 5** Move to **Prognostic ISMIP D020**.

# Step 0

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Create a `My_ISMIP_Appli` directory

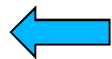
Copy the directory `Step0` in `My_ISMIP_Appli`

- Make the mesh : > `ElmerGrid 1 2 square.grd`
- Run the test : > `ElmerSolver ismip_step0.sif`
- Watch the results : > `ElmerPost` and open `square\ismip_step0.ep`
- What are we solving?

Stokes:

$$\text{div } \sigma + \rho g = 0$$

$$u_{i,i} = 0$$



Navier-Stokes with convection and acceleration terms neglected :

Flow Model = String Stokes

in the Stokes solver section

# Step 0 – Glen' s law and Elmer

In glaciology, you can find (at least) two definitions for Glen' s law:

$$D_{ij} = \frac{B}{2} \tau_e^{n-1} S_{ij} \quad ; \quad S_{ij} = 2B^{-1/n} \dot{\gamma}^{(1-n)/n} D_{ij}$$

$$D_{ij} = A \tau_e^{n-1} S_{ij} \quad ; \quad S_{ij} = A^{-1/n} I_{D_2}^{(1-n)/n} D_{ij} \quad \text{ISMIP notation}$$

$$\text{where } I_{D_2}^2 = D_{ij} D_{ij} / 2 \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{\gamma}^2 = 2 D_{ij} D_{ij}$$

The power-law implemented in Elmer writes:  $S_{ij} = 2\eta_0 \dot{\gamma}^{m-1} D_{ij}$

$$\eta_0 = B^{-1/n} = (2A)^{-1/n}$$

$$m = 1/n$$

$$\dot{\gamma}^2 \geq \dot{\gamma}_c^2$$

In Material Section:

Viscosity Model = String "power law"

Viscosity = Real  $\eta_0$

Viscosity Exponent = Real  $m$

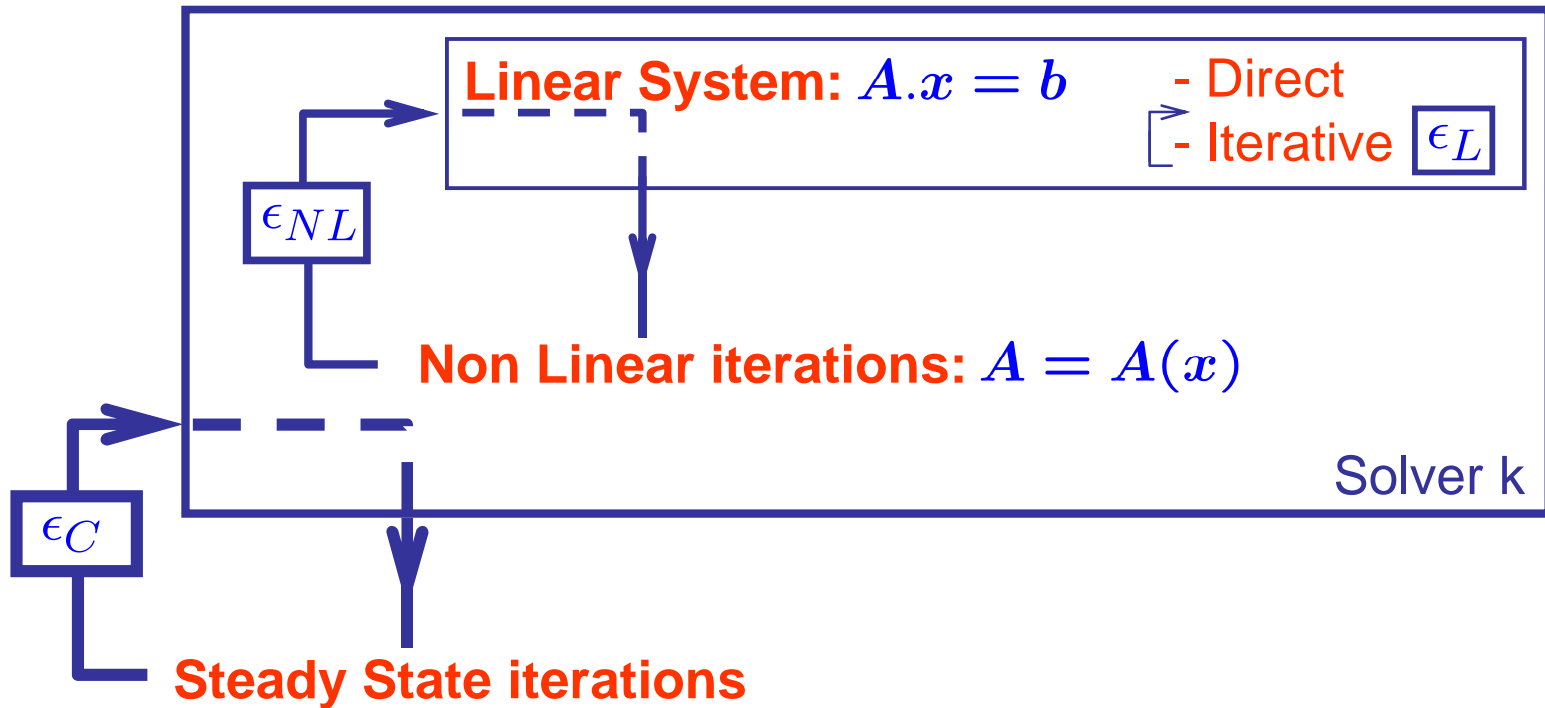
Critical Shear Rate = Real  $\dot{\gamma}_c$

# Step 0 – Sketch of a Steady simulation

Geometry + Mesh



Degrees of freedom



$$\epsilon_L < \epsilon_{NL} < \epsilon_C$$

# Step 0 – Numerical methods

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In the NS Solver Section: (see Chapters 3 and 4 of Elmer Solver Manual)

## - Solution for the Linear System:

```
Linear System Solver = Direct  
Linear System Direct Method = umfpack
```

## - Non-Linear System :

```
Nonlinear System Max Iterations = 100  
Picard Nonlinear System Convergence Tolerance = 1.0e-5 =  $\epsilon_{NL}$   
Newton Nonlinear System Newton After Iterations = 5  
Nonlinear System Newton After Tolerance = 1.0e-02  
Nonlinear System Relaxation Factor = 1.00
```

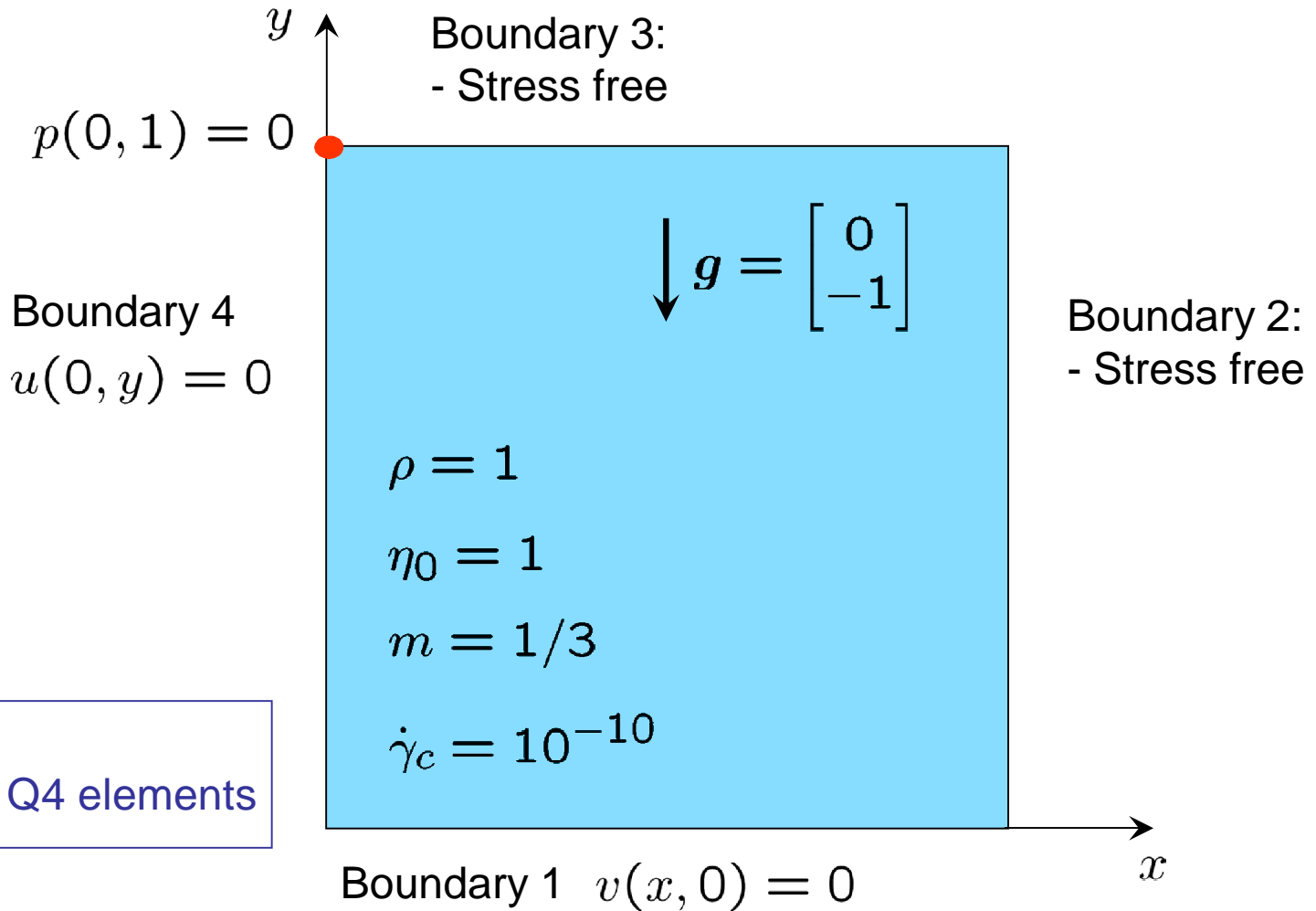
## - Coupled problem (not needed here in fact...):

```
Steady State Convergence Tolerance = Real 1.0e-3 =  $\epsilon_C$ 
```

## - Stabilization of the Stokes equations:

```
Stabilization Method = String Bubbles (other options: Stabilized, P2P1)
```

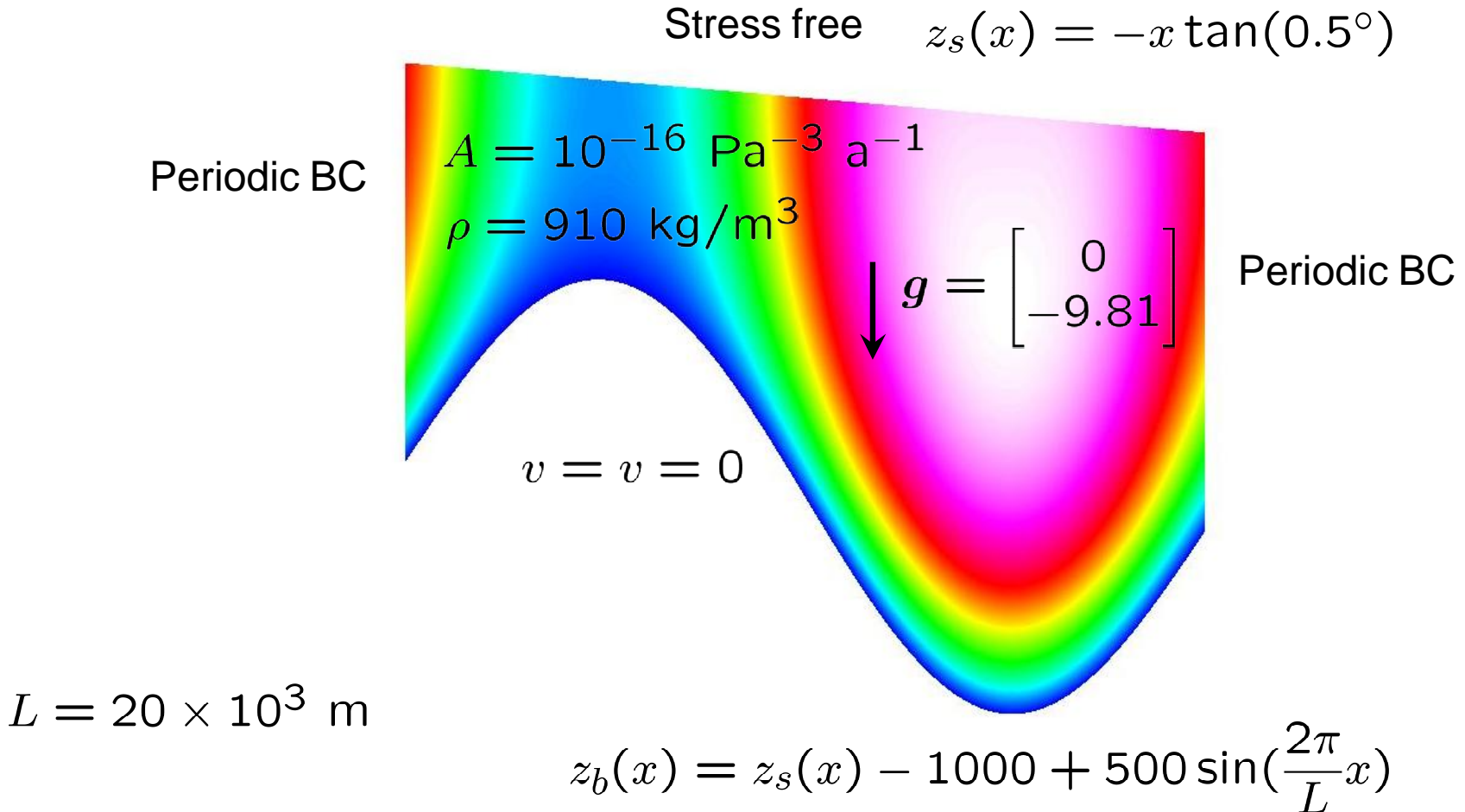
# Step 0 – What are we solving?



Mesh:  
20 x 20 Q4 elements

# Step 1 – Move to ISMIP-HOM B020

What we have to solve :





# Step 1 – Changes from Step0

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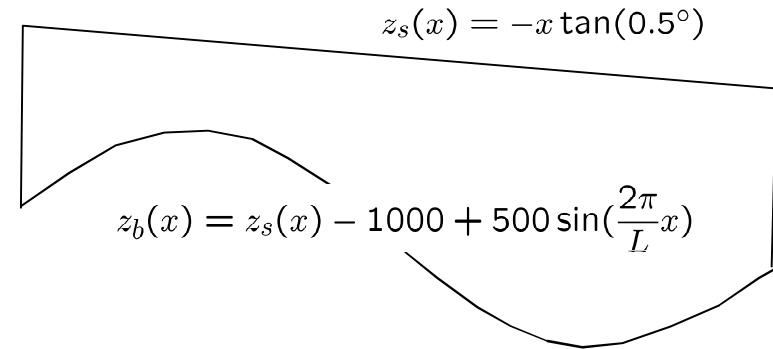
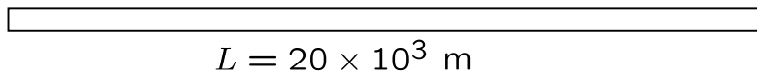
- New directory, new names !

e.g.: `square.grd` -> `rectangle.grd`

- Make the mesh : use of the `StructuredMeshMapper` solver
- Right values for the different constants (which system of Units ?)
- Add the periodic boundary conditions

# Step 1 – StructuredMeshMapper

- Start from rectangular mesh  $L \times 1\text{m}$  and use the solver StructuredMeshMapper to produce the ISMIP B geometry



- Add the solver **StructuredMeshMapper**

Solver 1

```
Equation = "MapCoordinate"
```

```
Procedure = "StructuredMeshMapper" "StructuredMeshMapper"
```

```
Active Coordinate = Integer 2
```

```
Mesh Velocity Variable = String "dSdt" (Not really needed in steady)
```

```
Mesh Update Variable = String "dS"
```

```
Mesh Velocity First Zero = Logical True
```

End

# Step 1 – StructuredMeshMapper

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Declare mapping for **Bottom Surface** and **Top Surface** in Boundary Condition 1 and 2, respectively:

```
$Slope = 0.5 * pi / 180.0  
$L = 20000.0
```

```
! Bedrock  
Boundary Condition 1  
  Target Boundaries = 1  
  Velocity 1 = Real 0.0e0  
  Velocity 2 = Real 0.0e0  
  Bottom Surface = Variable Coordinate 1  
    Real MATC "-tx*tan(Slope)-1000.0+500.0*sin(2.0*pi*tx/L)"  
End
```

```
! Upper Surface  
Boundary Condition 3  
  Target Boundaries = 3  
  Top Surface = Variable Coordinate 1  
    Real MATC "-tx*tan(Slope)"  
End
```

# Step 1 – Elmer and Units

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Elmer does not force any choice of units – they just have to be coherent.  
Minimal influence on results, as the system matrix is normalized.

For the Stokes problem, one should give values for:

- the density:  $\rho$  ( $= 910 \text{ kg/m}^3$ )
- the gravity:  $g$  ( $= 9.81 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ )
- the viscosity:  $\eta_0$  ( $\text{Pa s}^{1/n}$ ) ( $1 \text{ Pa} = 1 \text{ kg s}^{-2} \text{ m}^{-1}$ )

kg – m – s [SI] : velocity in m/s and time-step in seconds



kg – m – a : velocity in m/a and time-step in years



1 a = 31 557 600 s

MPa – m – a : velocity in m/a and Stress in MPa



(What I will use in the following)

# Step 1 – Value of the ISMIP constants

For ISMIP tests A-D, the value for the constants are

- the density:  $\rho = 910 \text{ kg/m}^3$
- the gravity:  $g = 9.81 \text{ m s}^{-2}$
- the fluidity:  $A = 10^{-16} \text{ Pa}^{-3} \text{ a}^{-1}$

	USI kg - m - s		kg - m - a		MPa - m - a	
$g =$	9.81	$\text{m} / \text{s}^2$	9.7692E+15	$\text{m} / \text{a}^2$	9.7692E+15	$\text{m} / \text{a}^2$
$\rho =$	910	$\text{kg} / \text{m}^3$	910	$\text{kg} / \text{m}^3$	9.1380E-19	$\text{MPa m}^{-2} \text{ a}^2$
$A =$	3.1689E-24	$\text{kg}^{-3} \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^5$	1.0126E-61	$\text{kg}^{-3} \text{ m}^3 \text{ a}^5$	100	$\text{MPa}^{-3} \text{ a}^{-1}$
$\eta =$	5.4037E+07	$\text{kg m}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-5/3}$	1.7029E+20	$\text{kg m}^{-1} \text{ a}^{-5/3}$	0.1710	$\text{MPa a}^{1/3}$

$$\eta_0 = B^{-1/n} = (2A)^{-1/n}$$

$$m = 1/n$$

$$\dot{\gamma}^2 \geq \dot{\gamma}_c^2$$

# Step 1 – Value of the ISMIP constants

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One can use MATC coding to get the correct value of the parameters

```
$yearinsec = 365.25*24*60*60
$rhoi = 900.0/(1.0e6*yearinsec^2)
$gravity = -9.81*yearinsec^2
$nu = 3.0
$eta = (2.0*100.0)^(-1.0/n)
```

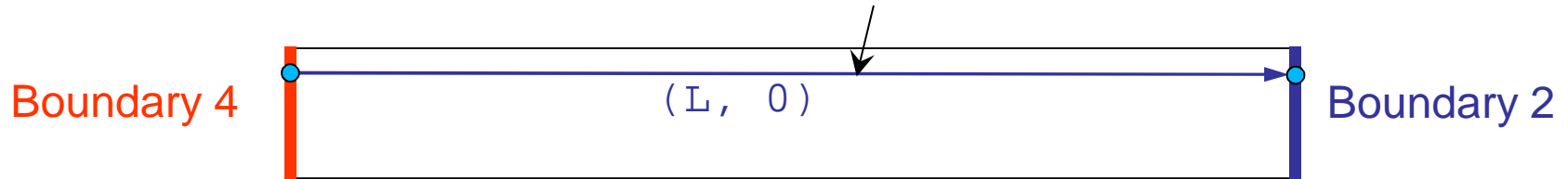
```
!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
Body Force 1
  Flow BodyForce 1 = Real 0.0
  Flow BodyForce 2 = Real $gravity
End

!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
Material 1
  Density = Real $rhoi

  Viscosity Model = String "power law"
  Viscosity = Real $eta
  Viscosity Exponent = Real $1.0/n
  Critical Shear Rate = Real 1.0e-10
End
```

# Step 1 – Periodic boundary conditions

Translation for B4 to transform into B2



Declare at the top of the `sif`:

```
$L = 20.0e3
```

...

```
Boundary Condition 2
```

```
Target Boundaries = 2
```

```
Periodic BC = 4
```

```
Periodic BC Translate(2) = Real $L 0.0
```

```
Periodic BC Velocity 1 = Logical True
```

```
Periodic BC Velocity 2 = Logical True
```

```
Periodic BC Pressure = Logical True
```

```
End
```

```
Boundary Condition 4
```

```
Target Boundaries = 4
```

```
End
```

Nothing to declare for BC4 !

# Step 2 – Add ComputeDevStress

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Objective: compute the stress field as  $\int_V S_{ij} \Phi \, dV = 2 \int_V \eta D_{ij} \Phi \, dV$

where  $D_{ij}$  and  $\eta$  are calculated from the nodal velocities using the derivative of the basis functions

## - Add a Solver

```
Solver 3
  Equation = Sij
  Variable = -nooutput "Sij"
  Variable DOFs = 1
  Exported Variable 1 = Stress[Sxx:1 Syy:1 Szz:1 Sxy:1]
  Exported Variable 1 DOFs = 4
  Stress Variable Name = String "Stress"
  Procedure = "ElmerIceSolvers" "ComputeDevStress"
  Flow Solver Name = String "Flow Solution"
  Linear System Solver = Direct
  Linear System Direct Method = umfpack
End
```

## - Add in the material section:

```
Cauchy = Logical False
```



# Step 2 – Add SaveData Solver (SaveLine)

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Objective: save the variables on the top surface (ASCII matrix file)

## - Add a new solver

```
Solver 4
  Exec Solver = After All
  Procedure = File "SaveData" "SaveLine"
  Filename = "ismip_surface.dat"
  File Append = Logical False
End
```

## - Tell in which BC you want to save the data

```
Boundary Condition 3
  Target Boundaries = 3
  Save Line = Logical True
End
```

## - Ordering of the variables: see file `ismip_surface.dat.names`

# Step 2 – Add SaveData Solver (SaveLine)

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SaveLine can also be used to save data at a 'drilling site' (a line which is not a boundary). Here, the data are saved at  $x = 10\text{km}$ .

- Change the solver section

Solver 4

```
Exec Solver = After All
```

```
Procedure = File "SaveData" "SaveLine"
```

```
Filename = "ismip_drilling.dat"
```

```
Polyline Coordinates(2,2) = Real $ (0.5*L) -1000. (0.5*L) 0.0
```

```
File Append = Logical False !overwrites existing files
```

End

- And don't forget to comment the `Save line = Logical True` in BC3

# Step 2 – Add SaveScalars

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SaveScalars allows to save scalars and derived quantities. Here, we will save:

- 1/ the volume of the domain (surface),
- 2/ the maximum value of the absolute horizontal velocity,
- 3/ the flux on the 3 boundaries 2, 3 and 4.
- 4/ the CPU time,
- 5/ the CPU memory

# Step 2 – Add SaveScalars

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-Add a new solver

```
Solver 5
  Exec Solver = After
  Procedure = "SaveData" "SaveScalars"
  Filename = "ismip_scalars.dat"
  File Append = Logical True
  Variable 1 = String "flow solution"
  Operator 1 = String "Volume"
  Variable 2 = String "Velocity 1"
  Operator 2 = String "max abs"
  Variable 3 = String "flow solution"
  Operator 3 = String "Convective flux"
  Operator 4 = String "cpu time"
  Operator 5 = String "cpu memory"
End
```

- Tell at which boundaries you want to save the flux

```
Flux Integrate = Logical True
```

# Step 3 – Add ResultOutput

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- ResultOutput allows to export the result in vtu (Visulation Toolkit unstructured grid) format and use Paraview for post-treatment

```
Solver 6
```

```
Exec Solver = After TimeStep
```

```
Exec Interval = 1
```

```
Equation = "result output"
```

```
Procedure = "ResultOutputSolve" "ResultOutputSolver"
```

```
Output File Name = String "ismip$Step".vtu"
```

```
Output Format = String vtu
```

```
End
```

- For all these added solvers, modify the Equation section:

```
Equation 1
```

```
Active Solvers(6) = 1 2 3 4 5 6
```

```
End
```

# Step 3 – Remark on VTU output

- If one is not interested in the legacy format for ElmerPost, but only in VTU:
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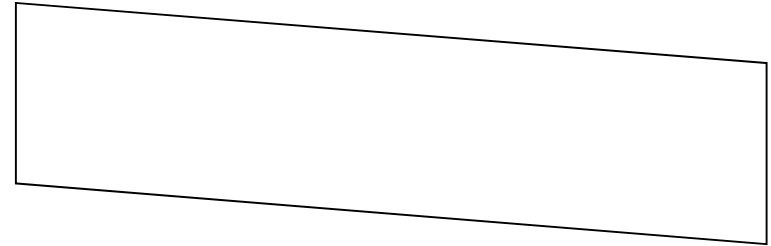
# Step 3 – Move to ISMIP-HOM D020

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Changes from B020:

- geometry of domain

$$\begin{cases} z_s(x, y) = -x \tan(0.1^\circ) \\ z_b(x, y) = z_s(x, y) - 1000 \end{cases}$$



➡ modify the Top Surface and Bottom Surface variables

- boundary condition at the bedrock interface

$$\begin{cases} \tau_{nt} = \beta^2 u_t \\ u_n = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{with } \beta^2(x) = 1000 + 1000 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{L}x\right)$$

in [Pa a m<sup>-1</sup>] !

➡ modify Boundary Condition 1

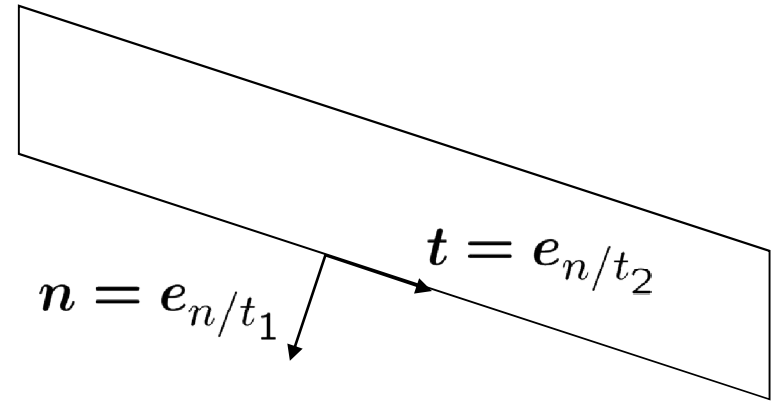
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Friction law in Elmer:

$$C_i u_i = \sigma_{ij} n_j \quad (i = 1, 2)$$

→  $C_t u_t = \sigma_{nt} ; C_n u_n = \sigma_{nn}$

where  $\mathbf{n}$  is the surface normal vector



## Modification of the Boundary Condition 1:

- First Solution: MATC definition of Ct

Boundary Condition 1

Target Boundaries = 1

Flow Force BC = Logical True

Normal-Tangential Velocity = Logical True

Velocity 1 = Real 0.0e0

Slip Coefficient 2 = Variable coordinate 1

Real MATC "1.0e-3\*(1.0 + sin(2.0\*pi\* tx / L ))

End

} Stress condition defined in a normal-tangential coordinate system

}  $u_n = 0$

}  $C_t = \dots$

in [MPa a m<sup>-1</sup>]!



# Step 3 – Move to ISMIP-HOM D020

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- Second Solution: User Function to define Ct

Boundary Condition 1

```
...  
Slip Coefficient 2 = Variable coordinate 1  
Real Procedure "./ISMIP_D" "Sliding"  
End
```

where Sliding is a User Function defined in the file ISMIP\_D.f90  
(see next slide)

Compilation:

```
> elmerf90 ISMIP_D.f90 -o ISMIP_D
```

# Step 3 – Move to ISMIP-HOM D020

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```
FUNCTION Sliding ( Model, nodenumber, x) RESULT(C)
  USE Types

  IMPLICIT NONE
  TYPE(Model_t) :: Model
  INTEGER :: nodenumber, i
  REAL(KIND=dp) :: x, C, L
  LOGICAL :: FirstTime=.True.

  SAVE FirstTime, L

  IF (FirstTime) THEN
    FirstTime=.False.
    L = MAXVAL(Model % Nodes % x) !the highest occurring x-coord
  END IF

  x = Model % Nodes % x(nodenumber)
  C = 1000.0d-06*(1.0_dp + SIN(2.0_dp * PI * x/ L))
    ! in MPa a /m

END FUNCTION Sliding
```

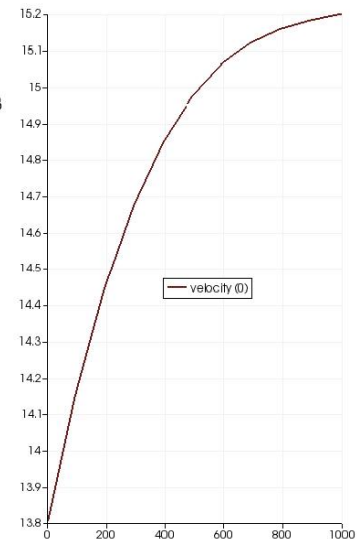
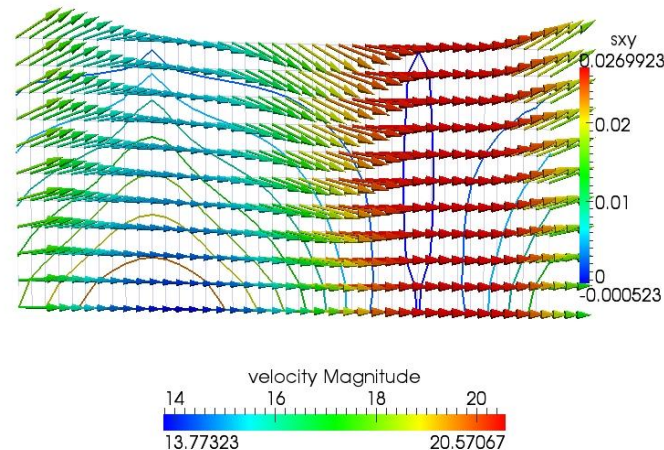
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# Step 3 – ParaView

## – Launch ParaView:

- `> paraview`
- Load the result file `ismip3.vtu0001.vtu`
- “ice-core” in ParaView:
  - Use filter “PlotOverLine”
  - Set Point1 = (5000,-1000,0); Point2=(5000,0,0)



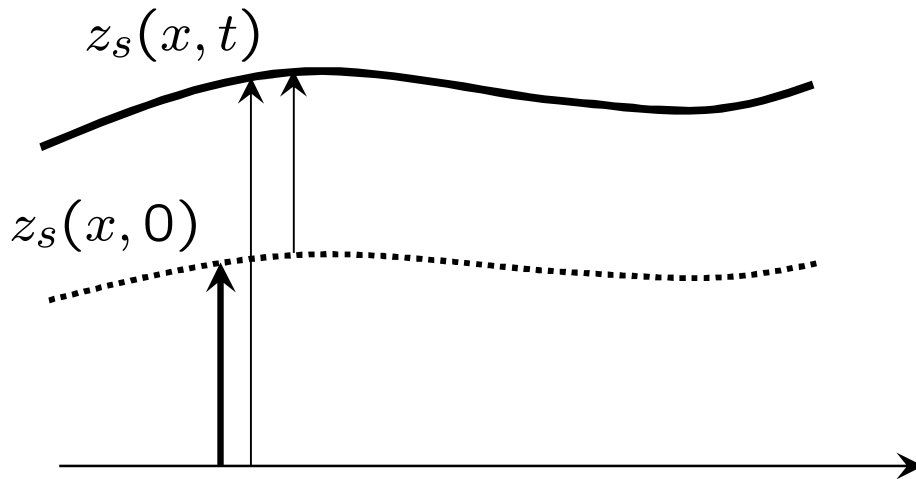
# Step 4 – Move to prognostic B020

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Move from a diagnostic to a prognostic simulations:

- Steady to transient
- Add the **free surface** solver

$$\frac{\partial z_s}{\partial t} + u_x \frac{\partial z_s}{\partial x} - u_z = a$$



The mesh is vertically deformed using the StructuredMeshMapper solver.

An alternative is to use the MeshUpdate solver (see older courses)

# Step 4 – Steady to transient

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The simulation Section has to be modified:

```
Simulation Type = Transient
```

```
Timestepping Method = "bdf" →
```

```
BDF Order = 1 →
```

```
Output Intervals = 1 →
```

```
Timestep Intervals = 200
```

```
Timestep Sizes = 1.0
```

Backward Differences Formula

BDF Order 1 = Backward Euler

I/O intervals in .ep/.vtu file

```
Steady State Min Iterations = 1
```

```
Steady State Max Iterations = 10 →
```

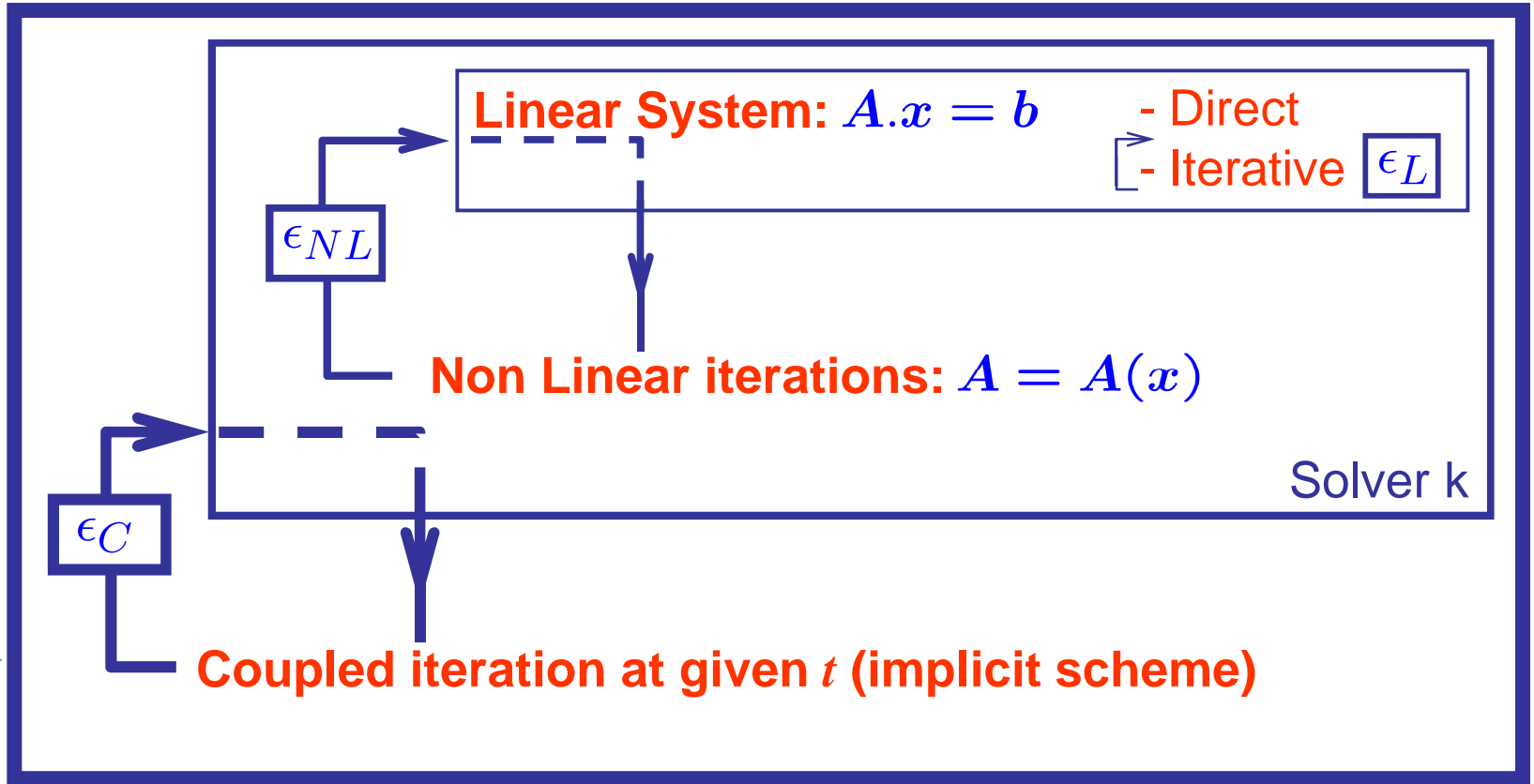
To control the "implicitness" of the solution over one time step (see example below).

# Step 4 – Sketch of a transient simulation

Geometry + Mesh



Degrees of freedom



$$t = t + dt$$

$$\epsilon_L < \epsilon_{NL} < \epsilon_C$$

# Step 4 – Free surface Solver

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The free surface solver only applies to the boundary 3 (top surface)

➔ Define a 2nd (lower dimensional) body on boundary 3.

```
Body 2
  Equation = 2
  Body Force = 2
  Material = 1
  Initial Condition = 2
End
```

where Equation 2, Body Force 2 and Initial Condition 2 are defined for the free surface equation.

Tell in BC3 that this is the body 2:

```
Boundary Condition 3
  Target Boundaries = 3
  ...
  !!! this BC is equal to body no. 2 !!!
  Body Id = 2
  ...
End
```



# Step 4 – Free surface Solver

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## Add the Free Surface Solver:

The minimum is presented here, you can add limits not to be penetrated by the free surface

Solver 2

```
Equation = "Free Surface"
```

```
Variable = String Zs
```

```
Variable DOFs = 1
```

```
Exported Variable 1 = String "Zs Residual"
```

```
Exported Variable 1 DOFs = 1
```

```
Procedure = "FreeSurfaceSolver" "FreeSurfaceSolver"
```

```
Before Linsolve = "EliminateDirichlet" "EliminateDirichlet" ! Not in parallel
```

```
Linear System Solver = Iterative
```

```
Linear System Max Iterations = 1500
```

```
Linear System Iterative Method = BiCGStab
```

```
Linear System Preconditioning = ILU0
```

```
Linear System Convergence Tolerance = Real 1.0e-5
```

```
Linear System Abort Not Converged = False
```

```
Linear System Residual Output = 1
```

```
Steady State Convergence Tolerance = 1.0e-03
```

```
Relaxation factor = Real 1.0
```

```
Stabilization Method = Bubbles
```

```
End
```

# Step 4 – Free surface Solver

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## Body Force 2:

```
Body Force 2 ! The Cartesian components
  Zs Accumulation Flux 1 = Real 0.0e0
  Zs Accumulation Flux 2 = Real 0.0e0
End
```

## Equation 2:

```
Equation 2
  Active Solvers(1) = 2
  Flow Solution Name = String "Flow Solution"
  Convection = String Computed
End
```

## Initial Condition 2: give $z_s(x, 0)$

```
Initial Condition 2
  Zs = Variable Coordinate 1
  Real MATC "-tx*tan(Slope)"
End
```

# Step 4 – StructuredMeshMapper

- The Top Surface variable is now equal to the variable  $Z_s$

Solver 1

```
Equation = "MapCoordinate"
```

```
Procedure = "StructuredMeshMapper" "StructuredMeshMapper"
```

```
Active Coordinate = Integer 2
```

```
Mesh Velocity Variable = String "dSdt"
```

```
Mesh Update Variable = String "dS"
```

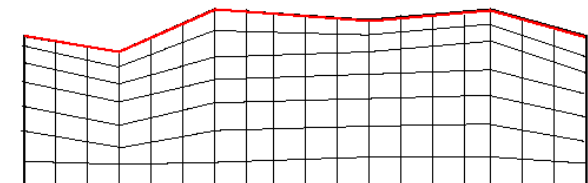
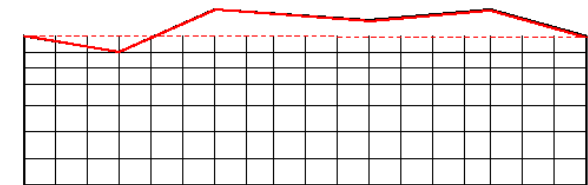
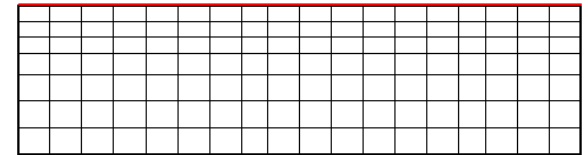
```
Mesh Velocity First Zero = Logical True
```

```
Top Surface Variable = String "Zs"
```

```
Dot Product Tolerance = Real 1.0e-3
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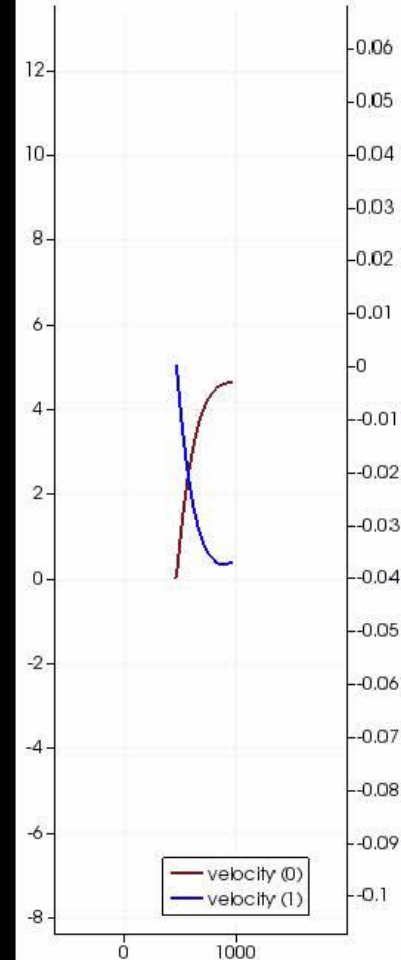
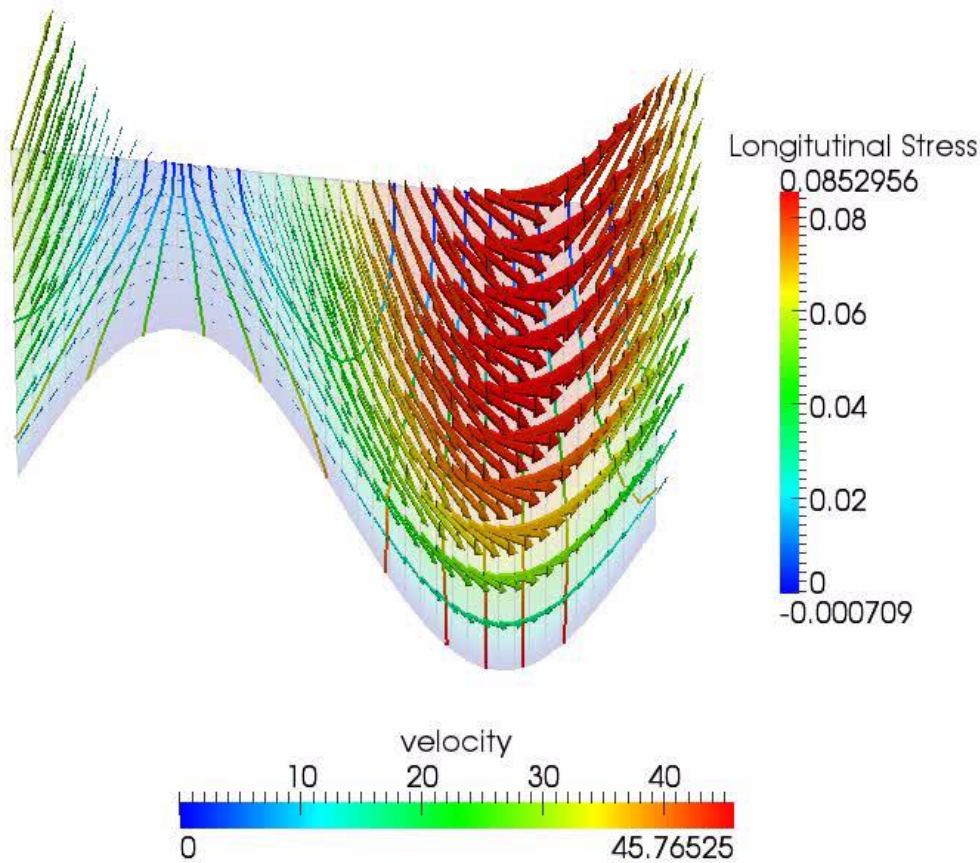
End

-And delete in the top surface BC the definition of Top Surface.



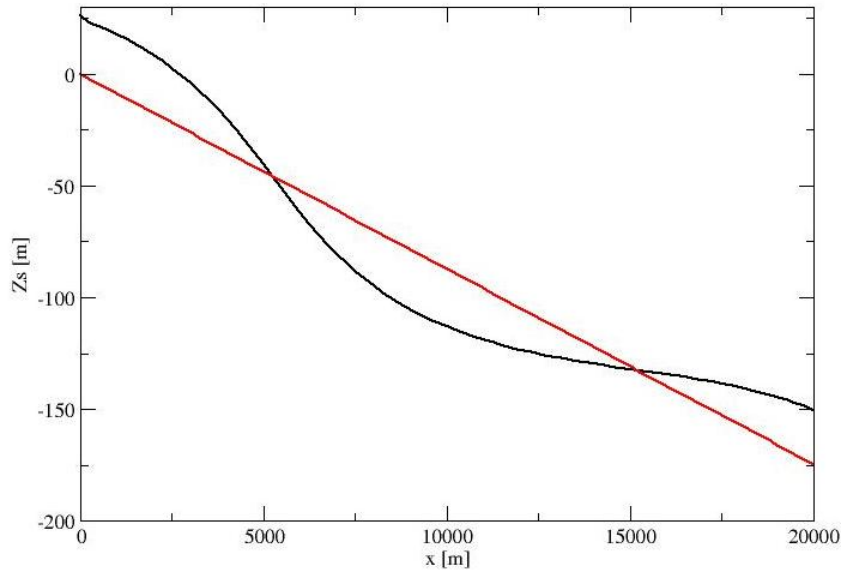
# Step 4 – Results !

Animation made with ParaView

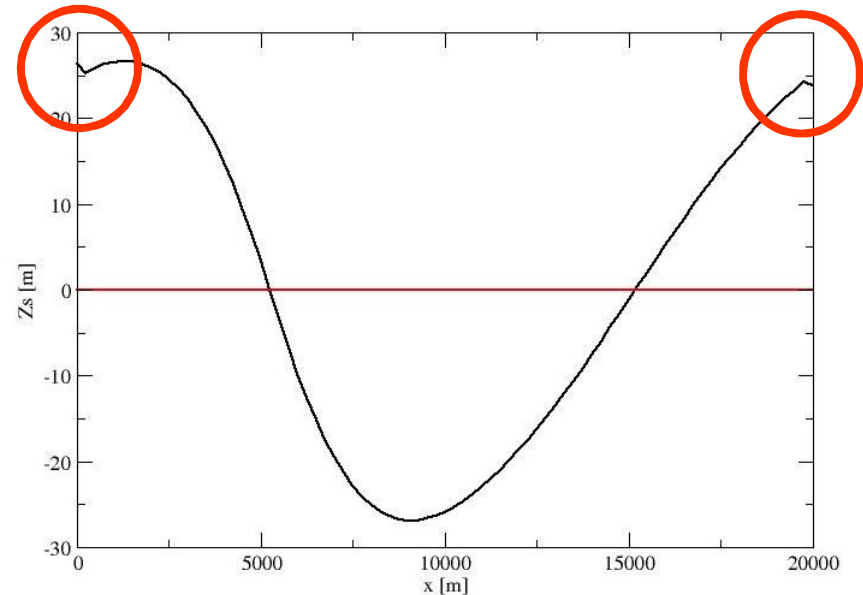


# Step 4 – Results !

Comparison of the initial and steady surface of the prognostic run



Not  
periodic

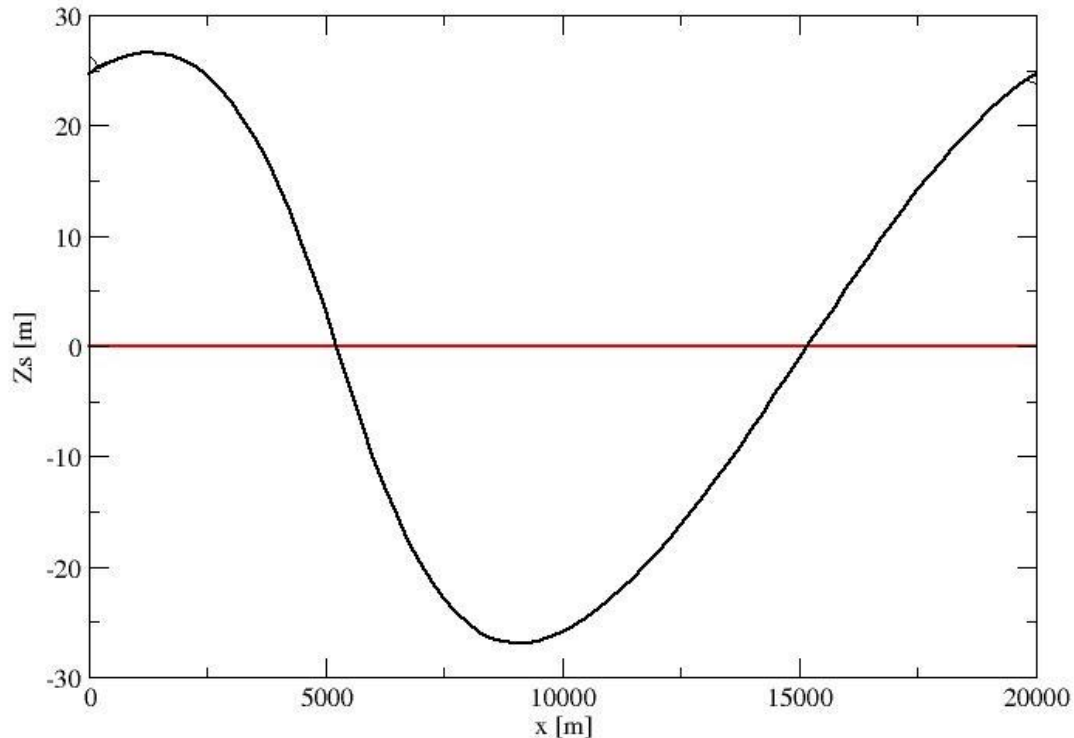


# Step 4 – better results !

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Turn the mesh so that  $z_s = 0$  (turn the gravity vector also !)  
Force  $z_s$  to be periodic

See Step4\_hori



# Step 5 – Move to prognostic D020

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Merge Step 3 and Step 4 and it should work !

